

Award Information

The Governor's Office of Community Service, the Montana Commission on Community Service, and First Lady Nancy Schweitzer are proud to present three awards: the ServeMontana Awards, the ReadyMontana Awards, and the First Lady's Math & Science Awards. The purpose of these awards is to recognize individuals of all ages and backgrounds who, through their dedication and commitment to community service, have greatly enhanced civic life in Montana. We invite you to nominate individuals who demonstrate the following:

- ✓ Personal commitment to cultivating an ethic of service
- ✓ Significant level of civic engagement
- ✓ A responsibility to create positive change for others and their community
- ✓ Perseverance through obstacles of all types
- ✓ Considerable impact in their community

Eligibility: Individuals of all ages and backgrounds, organizations, and groups are all eligible for nomination. Nominees must have performed their service in Montana and may not be salaried for the services performed.

These awards represent the best in positive community change through service, volunteerism and community leadership and are granted for extraordinary endeavors. Award winners will be selected by members of the Montana Commission on Community Service, a Governor-appointed body dedicated to promoting service across Montana. Awards will be presented during the annual ServeMontana Symposium in Helena, February 2012.

All nominations for the 2012 Awards must be received by **January 4th**, **2012.** Nomination forms are available to download on http://serve.mt.gov.

Nomination Categories:

servemantana awards	For service and volunteer work in the areas of education, healthy futures, environmental stewardship, veterans & military families, and economic opportunity
readymantana awards	For service specifically related to disaster services, emergency preparedness, and emergency response
SCIPOLE Initiative	For outstanding volunteers (individuals, groups, organizations, or businesses) that promote Math and Science education in Montana

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